

Minutes
City Council
August 5, 2024

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 5th day of August, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the Deputy City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Routine Business

The following Council Members were present: Lance Beethe, Alicia Brommer, Travis Goracke, Jim Reed, Lorie Topp, Absent: Tyler Speckmann. Others present: Mayor, 4 Staff, 3 public.

Meeting called to order at 5:02 P.M.

Mayor Grof read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda – None.

Public Hearing

Existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project awarded to the City. Hearing opened at 5:04 p.m. No public comment. Hearing Closed at 5:05 p.m.

Regular Agenda

Sheriff's Report-provided.

Clerks Report- working to finalize and file budget for 2024-2025. Beginning to prep for end of this fiscal year.

Streets Report- Doug Goracke- Crosswalks painted. Estimate for Tomahawk Drive \$277,575.00

Economic Development Report- Doug Goracke- Demo complete, budgeting for others. Contracts signed for Planning grant, starting assessment soon. Looking at possible a couple more demo properties. Looking into housing funding opportunities.

Utility Dept. Report- Doug Goracke-. Pre-construction meeting for Power Plant Cooling Project scheduled for Aug 6th. Still waiting to hear the status of NDEE Grant. (\$1.3M) Possible small addition to south shed? Hauling dirt in from wells. Dollar General energized. Split electric on alley between 3rd and 4th on Greeley.

Parks & Rec Report – Maddie Moran provided season report of activities at the Pool. Pool Closed, Sunday, August 5th.

Consider an Ordinance for final passage granting Black Hills a natural gas franchise. Motion by Reed to introduce an Ordinance of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska granting Black Hills a natural gas franchise and to approve waiving of the statutory rule requiring that the ordinance be read by title on three different days. The motion was seconded by Topp. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Speckmann. Motion Carried. Motion by Reed, seconded by Topp, to approve final passage of Ordinance and have it published in pamphlet form. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Speckmann. Motion Carried.

Consider Wage Recommendation for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.– Motion by Reed, second by Brommer to approve Wage Increases for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp, Beethe, Brommer Voting Nay: None. Absent: Speckmann. Motion Carried.

Consider Resolution of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska Denying Allocation of Levy Authority to Tecumseh Airport, but authorizing Transfer of Funds to Tecumseh Airport Pursuant to Interlocal Agreement. Motion by Brommer, second by Goracke denying allocation of Levy Authority to Tecumseh, Airport, but authorizing Transfer of Funds to Tecumseh Airport, pursuant to Interlocal Agreement. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Speckmann. Motion Carried.

Consider an Interlocal Agreement with the Tecumseh Airport Authority. Motion by Topp, second by Beethe to approve Interlocal Agreement with Tecumseh Airport Authority. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Speckmann. Motion Carried

Consider Olsson oversight fees for Power Plant project-\$286,973.00- Tabled.

Budget Work Session.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Topp, second by Beethe to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of the July 15, 2024 meeting
2. Pay bills for City Funds

Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Topp, Voting Nay: None. Absent: Speckmann.
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Janelle Moran, City Clerk

Jesse Grof, Mayor